DEPT: COUNTY TREASURER

UNIT NO. 3090

FUND: General - 0001

OPERATING AUTHORITY & PURPOSE

Pursuant to Section 59.25 of the Wisconsin Statutes, this Department receives all monies which belong to, or are deposited in trust with the County of Milwaukee; pays out all monies on order of the County Board, or as otherwise provided by law or ordinances; transmits State taxes, fees and revenues from other charges to the State Treasurer;

collects and enforces the collection of delinquent property taxes; acts as custodian of the Employees' Retirement System; provides for the daily cash requirements of Milwaukee County; and invests County appropriations not needed immediately in low risk short-term and mid-term investments.

BUDGET SUMMARY									
Account Summary	2005 Actual		2006 Budget		2007 Budget		2006/2007Change		
Personal Services (w/o EFB)	\$	372,244	\$	406,638	\$	424,245	\$	17,607	
Employee Fringe Benefits (EFB)		235,604		234,586		336,006		101,420	
Services		176,404		196,964		211,839		14,875	
Commodities		8,939		6,600		14,968		8,368	
Other Charges		544,197		237,500		337,500		100,000	
Debt & Depreciation		0		0		0		0	
Capital Outlay		6,609		0		0		0	
Capital Contra		0		0		0		0	
County Service Charges		160,692		173,819		135,980		(37,839)	
Abatements	_	(170,009)		(156,344)		(124,452)		31,892	
Total Expenditures	\$	1,334,680	\$	1,099,763	\$	1,336,086	\$	236,323	
Direct Revenue		2,543,027		1,246,500		1,407,000		160,500	
State & Federal Revenue		0		0		0		0	
Indirect Revenue	_	0		0		0		0	
Total Revenue	\$	2,543,027	\$	1,246,500	\$	1,407,000	\$	160,500	
Direct Total Tax Levy		(1,208,347)		(146,737)		(70,914)		75,823	

ADDITIONAL COSTS NOT INCLUDED IN TAX LEVY*									
Account Summary	2005 Actual		2006 Budget		2007 Budget		2006/2007Change		
Central Service Allocation	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0	
Courthouse Space Rental		70,272		73,232		72,873		(359)	
Tech Support & Infrastructure		32,325		37,574		26,034		(11,540)	
Distribution Services		3,186		3,831		4,712		881	
Telecommunications		2,464		2,853		2,104		(749)	
Record Center		1,436		1,447		309		(1,138)	
Radio		0		0		0		0	
Computer Charges		12,074		13,801		4,899		(8,902)	
Applications Charges		24,738	_	23,606		10,863		(12,743)	
Total Charges	\$	146,495	\$	156,344	\$	121,794	\$	(34,550)	
Direct Property Tax Levy	\$	(1,208,347)	\$	(146,737)	\$	(70,914)	\$	75,823	
Total Property Tax Levy	\$	(1,061,852)	\$	9,607	\$	50,880	\$	41,273	

^{*} These costs are included in other departmental and non-departmental budgets. They are reflected here to show the "total" amount of tax levy support for this Department.

COUNTY EXECUTIVE'S 2007 BUDGET

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PERSONNEL SUMMARY										
	2005 Actual		2006 Budget		2007 Budget		2006/2007Change			
Personal Services (w/o EFB)	\$	372,244	\$	406,638	\$	424,245	\$	17,607		
Employee Fringe Benefits (EFB)	\$	235,604	\$	234,586	\$	336,006	\$	101,420		
Position Equivalent (Funded)*		9.0		8.9		9.0		0.1		
% of Gross Wages Funded		100.0		98.8		100.0		1.2		
Overtime (Dollars)**	\$	1,464	\$	0	\$	0	\$	0		
Overtime (Equivalent to Position)		0.0		0.0		0.0		0.0		

^{*} For 2005 Actuals, the Position Equivalent is the budgeted amount.

^{**} Delineated for information. (Also included in personal services.)

PERSONNEL CHANGES										
		Number of		Cost of Positions						
		Positions/		(Excluding						
Job Title/Classification	Action	Total FTE	Division	Fringe Benefits)						
None										
			TOTAL	\$ 0						

MISSION

In its functions of cash receipt and disbursement, property tax services and investment program, the Milwaukee County Treasurer's Office will provide prompt, high-quality services to sustain the overall operation of County government for the benefit of its citizens.

BUDGET HIGHLIGHTS

- Personal Services expenditures without fringe benefits increases by \$17,607, from \$406,638 to \$424,245. Funded positions increase by 0.1 to 9.0 FTEs due to the vacancy and turnover adjustment.
- In 2007, Unpaid Personal Property Tax Chargebacks increase \$100,000 from \$200,000 to \$300,000 based on actual experience.
- Interest collected on delinquent property taxes increases \$165,000, from \$1,235,000 to \$1,400,000. For 2007, the number of notices processed is anticipated to be 6,400, which is 2,400 more than in 2006. These increased figures are the result of an aggressive campaign to collect delinquent taxes in 2007.
- The administrative costs remain unchanged at \$250 per foreclosure and \$150 for delinquent

property listings. Total revenue related to these fees is maintained at \$6,500.

- Advertising increases by \$16,000, from \$9,000 to \$25,000. This increase is attributed to the publishing of unclaimed funds in odd years only. Advertising for foreclosures is required by State Statute.
- \$75,000 is budgeted for administrative fees for investment of the County's short-term cash deposits.
- Recent State legislation has expanded the Tax Return Intercept Program (TRIP) to include the collection of delinquent property taxes. In order to handle hard-to-collect delinquent property taxes, the Treasurer's office will begin a TRIP Pilot Program in 2007 to measure its costeffectiveness.
- All departments are required to operate within their expenditure appropriations and their overall budgets. Pursuant to Section 59.60(12), Wisconsin Statutes, "No payment may be authorized or made and no obligation incurred against the county unless the county has sufficient appropriations for payment. No payment may be made or obligation incurred against an appropriation unless the director first

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certifies that a sufficient unencumbered balance is or will be available in the appropriation to make the payment or to meet the obligation when it becomes due and payable. An obligation incurred and an authorization of payment in violation of this subsection is void. A county

officer who knowingly violates this subsection is jointly and severely liable to the county for the full amount paid. A county employee who knowingly violates this subsection may be removed for cause."

ACTIVITY AND STATISTICAL SUMMARY								
	2005	2005	2006	2007				
	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Budget</u>				
Checks Issued	170,000	139,690	170,000	170,000				
Receipts Issued: Property Taxes	5,000	4,698	5,000	5,000				
Lost Checks and Forgeries Processed	200	162	200	200				
Tax Delinquent Notices Processed	6,000	6,100	4,000	6,400				
Unpaid Property Taxes								
Submitted to Treasurer*	2,800	2,734	2,800	2,800				
Number of Parcels with Bankruptcy Claims,								
Petitions for Foreclosure	175	159	200	200				
Forms Furnished to Municipalities	160,000	884,554	160,000	800,000				

^{*}In the past, Unpaid Property Taxes submitted to Treasurer were expressed in dollar amounts. This table reflects counts rather than dollar amounts.